

Washington, DC – U.S. Congresswoman Gwen Moore (D-Milwaukee) made the following statement on the news that the economy added just under 200,000 jobs last month and how Governor Walker’s proposed budget could prevent Wisconsin from sharing in our nation’s recovery:

“This is great news and the best all-around jobs report we have seen in three years. It sends a message of confidence to employers and is exactly what we need to get our economy back on track.”

“I’m concerned that Wisconsin may not share in this good news. Governor Walker is making layoffs today because of his stubbornness and refusal to negotiate with workers. The lives and livelihoods of workers and their families should not be used as pawns in an ideological fight.

“Governor Walker should know that no state can be open for business if we slam the doors to educational opportunity and take away workers’ rights. His recently proposed budget would stunt Wisconsin’s recovery – not move it forward. For Wisconsin to share in America’s recovery, our state needs to make the right investments.

“Our economy cannot recover and businesses cannot grow in Wisconsin if we are losing jobs when other states are gaining them.”